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Railroad Time Card.

POTOSI BRANCH
SOUTH
STATIONS 840 842 844 846
Potosi... 6:00 10:00 3:00 6:00
Mineral Point... 6:15 10:15 3:15 6:15
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GOING SOUTH.
STATIONS 841 843 845 847
Potosi... 6:30 10:30 3:30 6:30
Mineral Point... 6:45 10:45 3:45 6:45
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Train 842 has no northbound connection.
MAIN LINE.
NORTH.
Due Mineral Point... 6:15 a.m.
No. 22—8:30 p.m.
SOUTH.
Lv St. Louis... 7:30 a.m.
No. 23—7:50 a.m.
No. 9—6:31 p.m.

J. M. SLOAN,
DENTIST.
AT POTOSI from the 1st to the 23rd of each month.
AT BISMARCK from the 23rd to the 29th.

M. E. RHODES,
Attorney at Law.
POTOSI, MO.
Will practice in all the courts of the state. Collections collected.

Yellowstone Park Contains One of the Most Remarkable of Natural Curiosities.
Remarkable fossil forests exist in Yellowstone park, the most remarkable, it is believed, of the several fossil forests which have been discovered—there are others in Egypt, in California and in Arizona—because in the Yellowstone most of the trees were entombed in their original upright position and not found recumbent and scattered about the ground.

In Arizona, for instance, the fossilized trunks have evidently been carried a long distance from where they originally grew.
In the Yellowstone the trees now stand where they grew, and where they are entombed by the outpouring of various volcanic materials.
Now as the softer rocks surrounding them are gradually worn away they are left standing erect on the steep hillsides just as they stood when they were living; in fact, it is difficult at a little distance to distinguish some of these fossil trunks from the lichen-covered stems of kindred living species. Such an aggregation of fossil trunks is therefore well entitled to be called a true fossil forest.

It should not be supposed, however, that these trees still retain their limbs and smaller branches, for the mass of volcanic material falling on them stripped them down to bare, upright trunks.

Words in English Language.
The English language is constantly growing and almost every person's vocabulary changes from year to year. The first edition of Webster's dictionary, two quarto volumes, published in 1828, contained 70,000 words and this number was increased by several thousand in the second edition of Webster's dictionary in 1840. An edition of 1890 contained 175,000 words and the latest edition has more than 400,000. Many of these are technical, scientific, or for other reasons restricted to limited use, but nevertheless they are words. Obviously an educated man has a larger vocabulary, or command of words, than an uneducated one and a professional writer or public speaker needs more than a day laborer. Shakespeare had a vocabulary of about 15,000 words, but some that he used are now obsolete, while a large number of new ones have been added. Milton used about 8,900 words. It is not likely that any public speaker or writer uses more than a few hundred.

Who She Was.
He was a new clerk in the store, and was completely flustered when confronted by a frilly, fluffy young woman whose beauty so dazzled him that he allowed her to buy a large bill of dry goods and depart after ordering the purchase charged to her, but without giving her name.
"Whom are you going to charge those goods to?" asked the department manager. "What was her name?"
"Why, Miss, Miss, Miss—" stammered the clerk, as he scratched his head.
"Just miscellaneous, I guess," the boss cut in sarcastically.

\$100 Reward, \$100
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one cure for all it stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only medicine ever known to the medical profession. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional remedy. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional remedy. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional remedy.

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LOCAL ITEMS

Winter has set in in earnest.
There was much giving and receiving.
A happy and prosperous New Year to all.

The tax collector is the busiest man in town just now.
Our county jail is without a single prisoner at present.

Herbert Blount is home from St. Louis on a holiday visit.
Mrs. M. E. Rhodes is recovering from a spell of sickness.

Mr. P. E. Wood of Berryman was a Potosi visitor last Friday.
Bob Brown of St. Louis is making a holiday visit to homefolks here.

They are trying to organize a \$50,000 milk can factory up at DeSoto.
Mr. S. A. McClain of Quaker has our thanks for a remittance on subscription.

Linn Thurman is home from medical school in St. Louis for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Guyton spent Christmas with kindred in East St. Louis.

John Walker of Leadwood is visiting his cousins, Misses Alma and Frances Conley, here.
Miss Lonnie Blount is home from the State University for the holiday vacation.

Christmas passed off quietly in the old burg, no special doings and no disturbances.
Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Connolly and son of St. Louis visited relatives here the past week.

Misses Inez, Helen and Kathleen Allison are visiting relatives at Piedmont this week.
The last saloon in St. Francois county, located at Elvins, went out of business last Thursday.

We acknowledge a subscription renewal from our old friend, Mr. J. C. Fortune, of Belgrade.
Mr. Will E. Hall of St. Louis was a Christmas visitor at the home of his father, Dr. J. H. Hall.

Mr. F. S. Wilkinson of Palmer was a caller at this office Wednesday last to settle with the printer.
While Christmas fell on Saturday this year, next year it will fall on Monday, for 1916 will be leap year.

Miss Catherine Connolly and brother John, who are attending school in St. Louis, are home for the holidays.
How fast the years glide by when one has reached life's rubicon and is wending his way down the decline.

The assessed valuation of all property in St. Francois county for 1915 is \$10,777,651. A gain of \$300,000 over 1914.
Even Christmas didn't produce that wedding. Cupid seems to be laying down on the job and the prospect hopeless.

Mr. J. J. Turnbull of Undine remembered the printer's needs and sent us a couple of dollars on subscription Tuesday.
Mr. George Cresswell of Aptus was in our town last Thursday and handed us a dollar to make our Christmas merry.

Miss Friedella Flynn has been seriously ill with pneumonia for several days, but at last reports she is said to be improving.
Mr. L. W. Weiler of Jefferson City, who is connected with the State Auditor's department, visited friends in Potosi last Thursday.

Miss Virginia Pencil left Thursday for St. Louis, where she expects to remain until March, when she will reopen her millinery shop here.
Dr. J. H. Parker and family of Cedar, Ill., Mo., were in Potosi last Thursday, enroute to Berryman to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. W. N. Woods is under the weather this week, and John McBride of DeSoto is pulling the lever on the Branch club-chin in the meantime.
George Cresswell, a student in the Medical School of the State University, and Miss Ava Cresswell of St. Louis are spending the holidays with homefolks here.

L. George Williams and John Jelenc of Bonne Terre have invented a "no auto radiator" that can be taken apart and cleaned. The device has been patented.
It is reported that an order for one million railroad ties for Europe is being filled in this country. If this is true, some Washington County ties will be making a trip abroad soon.

Anyone who has watched the parcel mail passing through our postoffice the past few weeks will be ready to admit that our people do most of their Christmas shopping away from home.

FOR SALE

Forty acres good timber, mostly oak, near Shirley, \$100. W. M. Vail, 3815 Russell Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Simpson and children and Miss Rosie Simpson of St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Simpson and little daughter of Steelville, were holiday visitors of the Simpson family at the Austin Hotel.

The dance given by Potosi's young men at Blount's hall Tuesday evening was largely attended, and all who were there report it as being the most enjoyable social function given here in a long time. The boys did themselves proud.

We wish to thank our customers for their patronage the past year, and hope to merit a continuation of the same by giving you at all times, new up-to-date merchandise at the lowest cash price.
Maxwell's Dry-Goods Store.

It was a white Christmas after all. The snow came on Christmas eve, as, according to all well regulated Christmas eve, it should have done. Incidentally it was the first snow of the season worthy of the name, and covered the ground to a depth of two inches.

At the Presbyterian Church next Sunday morning, January 2nd, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. All the congregation are expected to be in attendance. Service commences at 11 a. m.

Evening Subject: "A New Year's Promise."
We are in receipt of a communication from Peoria signed only with fictitious name of "D. A. M. Phoebe." The article is well worth publishing and we will be glad to give it space if Mr. "Phoebe" will, for our private information only, let us know his real name.

Stephen Denton, aged 51 years, father of Mrs. S. D. McGreevey of this place, died at his home near Bismarck on December 25th. This is the second death in the family within the past two weeks, as A. T. Denton, brother of Mrs. McGreevey, died on the 15th inst., near Irondale.

The Christmas service at the Wallen Creek school house was well attended. There were about 75 people there. The program of recitations, dialogues, scripture readings, etc., were splendidly rendered. Miss Maggie Dee, the teacher of the school, is to be congratulated upon such good results.

Brothers-in-law are sometimes opponents in law. Thus it is with John Guyton and Eliza Burr who are in Justice Marchand's court today trying to decide who owned a certain horse that is now no more. Mr. Guyton is suing Mr. Burr for a horse he claims he bought from him for \$35. Mr. Burr claims he did not buy the horse but had taken it to sell and was to get all over \$35 if he sold him. The disagreement over the deal caused the two men, who are brothers-in-law to quarrel on the train not long ago and when Mr. Burr prosecuted Mr. Guyton the latter pleaded guilty last Monday and paid the fine and costs. The civil suit followed. The horse died during the summer—Bonne Terre Register.

Blanch, the 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Degoula, Jr., died at the home of her grandmother at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, as the result of burns she sustained when her clothing caught fire by accident about 10 o'clock Monday night.

In the household of the time were Blanch, aged 4, Iva, 6, and their little aunt Elsie, 3. Their mother and grandmother had gone to town to do some shopping, and their father had gone to work. John Ehinger was with them when their father left, but he had gone out for a few minutes. Iva had lighted a paper, when in some manner Blanch's clothing caught fire. The other children tore her clothing off of her and put the fire out, but not before she had been fatally burned.—Lead Belt News, Flat River.

Former Potosi Lady Dies in California.
Mr. H. C. Bell received a telegram Tuesday morning announcing the death of his aunt, Mrs. Anna Smith, at Oakland, California, on last Monday night. He was also informed that the body would be brought to Potosi for burial, arriving here next Saturday.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from the home of Mr. Bell. Services at the Church, interment in the Masonic cemetery.
Mrs. Smith, who was 77 years of age, was the widow of the late E. B. Smith of this place, who for many years held the office of county clerk of this county. After the death of her husband, some thirty years ago, she removed with her children to Oakland, Calif., where she had since made her home.

Death.
Christmas brought a burden of sadness instead of joy to the Ferring home on Bates Creek, when the head of the family, Mr. Joseph Ferring died on Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Ferring had been ill for about two months with an affection of the throat. He was in his 28th year and was survived by a wife and two small children. The funeral was held on Monday and the remains were laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery here. The deceased some two or three years ago came to Potosi from St. Louis and conducted a meat market here for a while, and later bought a farm on Bates Creek.

We are compelled to sell our
Coats, Suits and Skirts
of which we have a big stock on hand. This entire stock MUST BE SOLD
to make room for our spring goods. Will sell
REGARDLESS OF PRICE
Come in and see for yourself. Seeing is convincing. Thanks for past patronage.
LADIES SUITS AND COATS MUST GO.

Ladies coats which were \$20 now only \$1.98
\$25.00 to \$30.00 Ladies coats now sell at \$3.98
Coats from \$10 to \$18 now sell for \$6.49
Ladies suits that sold for \$8 now go at \$3.48
Ladies \$12 to \$15 suits sell at \$3.48

IN THE J. N. RICHARDS WEST OF SLAIN'S BLDG. POST OFFICE

Bismarck.

James Martin of Latty was a visitor here this week.
Chas. Edwards made a trip to St. Louis Wednesday last.

Miss Ruth Goodykoontz of Caledonia is visiting friends here.
U. S. Ramsey and family of St. Louis visited relatives here the past week.

Marvin Eggert of Madison, Wis., is spending the holidays with homefolks at this place.
Dr. J. H. Buford and wife of Ellington were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Eaton of this place last Saturday.

Stephen Denton, aged 51 years, died at his home near this place on Saturday morning, Dec. 25th. His remains were buried at Hickory Grove Monday.

The home of Jesse Wood was destroyed by fire last Sunday. Only a part of the household goods was saved. A defective fuse was the cause of the fire.

Latty.
Mr. Clarence Smith and family spent Christmas with relatives near Trout.

The Walls brothers have moved to the J. T. Hudson farm, in Rabbit Hollow.

There was a Christmas tree and celebration at the Bunker Hill school Saturday.

Mr. Will Nicholson and family of Belgrade are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. Tom Johnson and wife of East St. Louis are visiting friends in this neighborhood.

George Huckstep, Will Hudson and Fabian Baez are home from the State University for the holidays.

Miss Jennie Lytton made the pupils of her school very happy with a big Christmas treat at the school last Thursday.

Many of the men of this part of the county are participating in the big "Wolf Week" wolf hunt this week and hope to capture a few scalps.

The dry election we had in this county lately hasn't succeeded so far in preventing the boys coming home from Potosi pretty well tanked up.

Irondale.

Felt Smith shipped a carload of hogs Tuesday.

Mont downward of St. Louis is a holiday visitor here.
Miss Myrtle Mallow is recovering from a spell of sickness.

James Larmer of Sunlight was an Irondale visitor Tuesday.

B. F. Newcomb of Belgrade was in Irondale Monday on his way to the Lead Belt.

George Cain and Charles Linza of the Lead Belt visited homefolks here Sunday.

Mr. Chas. Hixon is here from Paragould, Ark., to spend the holidays with his family.

Three of the Perkins brothers from Canada were visitors at the home of J. C. O'Neal the past week.

Mrs. T. R. Lloyd of Farmington visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. O'Neal, here several days the past week.

The Christmas entertainment at the school house here last Friday evening was well attended and enjoyed by all present.

Morris Wilcox has returned to his home near Belgrade last Wednesday, after having spent the past two years in Oregon and Washington.

H. J. Cantwell was down from St. Louis one day last week, and stated that the results of his drill prospecting near this place were very flattering.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adams have lost their little daughter from the diphtheria, which is raging at Leadwood. The child was buried here Tuesday.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Henry Forrester was sufficiently recovered from the injuries she received in a runaway accident near Leadwood several weeks ago to return to her home here last Sunday.

Miss Bertha Robinson's millinery store here was entered by some miscreant Sunday night, who gained his entrance by breaking the glass out of the door. The rascal scattered the goods all over the floor.

Farmington Postmaster Will Hold Job, But Get Reprimand.

Postmaster J. Byrd Smith of Farmington, will not lose his job as a result of the investigation recently made of his conduct by inspectors of the Post Office Department. Instead he will be reprimanded by First Assistant Postmaster General Foster for indiscretion.

While the report of the inspectors is understood to have sustained the charges that Smith had agreed to pay a certain stipulated amount monthly to a man who claimed to have secured his appointment to the position, it is likewise understood that Smith was not guilty of intentional wrong, but was misled and a victim of circumstances. He was not technically guilty according to the report, which apparently means that he had not yet made a payment, and the charges against him will be dismissed and allowed to drop with the reprimand.

MARIAGE LICENSES.

Julius A. Rhoulz, Mineral Point, Mo.
Bliza C. Maness, Hopewell, Mo.
Geo. N. Province, Irondale, Mo.
Alta Orvetta French, "

A representative of the Enterprise was informed a few days ago that a rich deposit of lead had been discovered at Annapolis. One deposit was said to be about seven feet thick. It was also stated that a lot of land had just been bought up by those interested.—Iron-Enterprise.

Center of Universe.

A recent speculation is that Canopus, in the southern constellation of Argos, is the center of the stellar universe. Though second in apparent brightness to Sirius, it is really much larger, and is at the inconceivable distance of 439 light-years from us. Its volume is estimated at 2,400,000 times that of our own sun, while its brilliancy is supposed to be 49,700 times as great.

And a Few Others.

Teddy doesn't like Wilson's message. Neither do Broz. Degendorf of the Potosi Journal or Doc Crow of the DeSoto Republican.—DeSoto Press.

THIS HOLIDAY SEASON
Gives us an opportunity to extend
Christmas Greetings
to all our friends, and to express appreciation for the good will you have shown us during the past year. You have our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Washington County Bank
POTOSI, MO.

Stark Bro's Fruits
Announcing our
100th Year
How to Grow Bigger Crops of Superb Fruit—FREE
YOU need this practical, expert information. Whether you own or intend to plant a few trees or a thousand, it is information that will save you time, labor and money. Get it! Simply send us your name and address on the coupon—or on a postal, if you prefer.
We will gladly mail you a free copy of our New Catalog—an 11 x 8 in. book that is simply packed with hints that will enable you to secure bumper crops of finest fruit—and sell them at top market prices. The whole book is filled with facts that will interest and instruct you—facts about how fruit-growers everywhere are getting prodigious crops and large cash profits from crops of young, thrifty, greenish Stark Bro's trees—facts that emphasize the truth of the axiom "Stark Trees Bear Fruit." Beautiful life-size, natural color photos of leading fruit all through the book. Send for your copy today!
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Trustee's Sale.

Wm. Cress, H. A. Sloan and Lucy Sloan, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated the 23rd day of December, 1914, and recorded in the office of the recorder of Washington County, Missouri, in book "P," at page 417 records of deeds of trust of said county, conveyed to H. E. Blount as trustee, all their right, title, interest and estate in and to the following described real estate, lying and being in said County of Washington and State of Missouri, to-wit:

A part of Spanish Grant No. 1847, described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stone corner on the north side of said Spanish Grant No. 1847, thence running south 17 chains and 20 links to a post, thence south, 82 degrees east, 56 chains and 67 links, intersecting the eastern boundary line of said Spanish Grant No. 1847, thence running north along said line to the northeast corner of said Spanish Grant No. 1847, thence north 82 degrees west, 56 chains and 67 links, to the place of beginning, containing 100 acres, and being the same 100 acres described in a certain deed of trust by H. A. Sloan and Lucy Sloan to the Bank of Potosi, of record in Book "P," at page 281 of the deed of trust records of Washington County, Missouri, which said 100 acres are also described in a certain deed by James F. Randall and Mary E. Randall to H. A. Sloan and wife, of record in Book 52, at page 505 of the deed records of said county and state, excepting 19.04 acres sold off of the above and foregoing described tract of land by H. A. Sloan and Lucy Sloan, to W. W. Gibson, by deed of record in Book 55, at page 640 of the deed records of Washington County, Missouri.

Said conveyance being made to secure the payment of a certain promissory note, in said deed of trust described; and whereas said note has become due and remains unpaid, I, the undersigned trustee, in accordance with the provisions of said trust, and at the request of the legal holder of said note, will proceed to sell the above described real estate at the court house door, in the city of Potosi, at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, on **SATURDAY, JANUARY 22d, 1916,** between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, to satisfy said note and the costs of executing this trust.

H. E. BLOUNT, Trustee.
December 29, 1915.

PROOF FROM MINERAL POINT.

Mineral Point Citizens Speak Out Plainly.

In Mineral Point we find that people are praising Doan's Kidney Pills as highly as here in Potosi. Being so nearby, a statement of a Mineral Point citizen is of particular interest to Potosi people, who will do well to profit by Mr. Higgins' experience.
T. H. Higgins, farmer, Mineral Point, Mo., says: "I had a lame back and sharp pains across my kidneys. I couldn't rest well and in the morning was stiff and lame. I often had to pass the kidney secretions too often. Doan's Kidney Pills removed the lameness and regulated the passage of the kidney secretions. They are the best kidney medicine I ever used."

Prices 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for kidney remedy, get Doan's Kidney Pills, the same that Mr. Higgins had. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Notice of Sale.

Notice is hereby given that the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railroad Company will, at 10 o'clock a. m. on the 11th day of January, 1916, offer for sale at its freight house in the city of Irondale, County of Washington, State of Missouri, at public outcry, to the highest cash bidder, the following property:
One disc drill agricultural implement, weight, 855 pounds.
The above described property was delivered to the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern R'y Co. by the Mississippi Valley Cold Storage and Warehouse Co. at St. Louis, Missouri, on the 3d day of July, 1915, consigned to E. Ward, at Irondale, Missouri, where it arrived on the 5th day of July, 1915, and has since been on hand unrecalled for. Notice of its arrival having been given to the consignee and consignee, and the property being on hand unrecalled for, this sale is made in compliance with Section 8376 and 8377 of 1909 of the statutes of Missouri, the proceeds of which to be applied to the payment of freight and storage charges and the costs of this sale, the balance, if any, to be held subject to the demands of the rightful owner.
THE ST. LOUIS, IRON MOUNTAIN & SOUTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY.
By W. H. MARTIN, Agent.
December 29, 1915.

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